

# Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana

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## Comprehensive Community Plan

County: Newton

LCC: Coalition for a Drug Free Newton County

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## **Plan Summary**

**Mission Statement:** It is the mission of the Coalition for a Drug Free Newton County to educate, support and promote local activities that reduce the legal and illegal use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs in Newton County.

### **History:**

Newton County is located in Northwest Indiana and is bordered by Lake County to the north, Jasper County to the east, Benton County to the south and the State of Illinois to the west. Newton County is considered rural and has a general population of 14,014. Its primary industry is farming and small business. Population centers are Roselawn, Lake Village, Morocco, Brook, Goodland, and Kentland, the county seat. Newton County has no medical treatment center or hospital within its boundaries. The county has two main highways running parallel to each other, interstate 65 on the east border and US Hwy 41 on the west border.

The Coalition for a drug Free Newton County is entering its twenty-fifth year. The coalition mission is to educate, support and promote local activities within the county that reduce the legal and illegal use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Since its formation, the Coalition has held regular monthly public meetings to address community issues and solicit community involvement in the areas of prevention/education, treatment/intervention and enforcement/judicial programs working toward a reduction in the area of substance use and abuse.

The Coalition serves as the recognized LCC for the Governor's Commission for a Drug-Free Newton County under the supervision of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. Our membership and presence in the community has expanded as a result of our being awarded a Strategic Prevention Frame-Work State Incentive grant for the Cohort Two for one year.

Each year elementary school age children are invited to participate in a tee-shirt design contest promoting a healthy lifestyle absent alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Each student receives the design winning shirt to be worn during Red Ribbon Week activities, and other school/community activities.

### **Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan:**

As a Coalition we work collaboratively with local organizations sponsoring programs that reduce the legal and illegal use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs in Newton County.

### Membership List

County LCC Name:

#	Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
1	Deb Arseneau	Purdue Extension	C	F	Education
2	Dave Hensel	Patron	C	M	Labor
3	Mike Rowe	Sheriff Department	C	M	Law Enforcement
4	Danielle Sands	CEO Purdue Extension Educator	C	F	Government
5	Donna Blaney	Morocco Beautification	C	F	Civic Organization
6	Diane Gonczy	Step Ahead	C	F	Parent
7	Martha White	Extension Homemaker	C	F	Civic Organization
8	Clara Berenda	Mt. Ayr Projects	C	F	Education
9	Gene Bell	Patron	C	M	Community member
10	Sunny Richie	Substance Counselor	C	F	Treatment
11	Amber Bodak	Crisis Center	C	F	Treatment
12	Dianne Hopkins	Patron	C	F	Community member
13	Jeff Drinski	Prosecutor	C	M	Judicial
14	Tom VanVleet	Sheriff		M	Law Enforcement
15	Bob Gonczy	Teacher	C	M	Education
16	Wayne Williams	United Methodist Church Morocco	C	M	Religion
17	Rev. Van Wijk	United Methodist Kentland	C	M	Religion
18	Mark Mayhew	Adm. Public Schools	C	M	Education
19	Christine Belt	Mt. Ayr	C	F	Community member
20	Chris Enyeart	Adm. Public Schools	C	M	Education
21	Shayla Wiseman	Crisis Center Child Advocate	C	F	Government
22	Maxine Dyer	Extension Homemaker	C	F	Patron
23	Mary Jarvis	Township Trustee	C	F	Government
24	Shannon Cothran	Sheriff Department	C	M	Law Enforcement
25	Dave Miller	Sheriff Department	C	M	Law Enforcement
26	David Hoaks	Sheriff Department	C	M	Law Enforcement
27	Brian Runyon	Sheriff Department	C	M	Law Enforcement
28	Scott McCord	Coroner	C	M	Health

29	Charles Huckstep	Adm. Public Schools	C	M	Education
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## Problem Identification

**A. Problem Statement #1:** Underage drinking and the use of other drugs by minors is an issue in Newton County.

**B. PS#1 Supportive Data:**

1. 12 student suspensions, 3 expelled for drug use; 18 suspensions for tobacco use; 1 expelled for alcohol.
2. 17 juvenile drug arrests, 5 involving prescription drugs; 5 marijuana, 7 other controlled substances.
3. 12 juvenile alcohol arrests
4. Communities That Care - Risk and Protective Factors: More than 50% of students had high risk factors for; Poor family management, High family conflict, Perceived risk of drug use, Parental attitudes favor antisocial behavior. 50% had low protective factors, Community reward for involvement, Family opportunities for involvement, Family rewards for involvement, School rewards for prosocial involvement, Peer individual interaction with prosocial peers.

**PS#1 Supportive Data End of Year 1 Update:**

**PS#1 Supportive Data End of Year 2 Update:**

**PS#1 Supportive Data Final Update (end of Year 3):**

**C. PS#1 Goals:**

1. Reduce underage drinking and use of other drugs.

**PS#1 End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

**PS#1 End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

**PS#1 Goals Final Report (end of Year 3):**

**D. PS#1 Objectives:**

1. Promote and encourage parent and child education programs for early childhood and elementary grades with focus on healthy lifestyles absent ATOD.
2. Support and encourage parent and student participation programs at the Jr/Sr High Schools focusing on healthy lifestyles absent ATOD.
3. Encourage school corporations to participate annually in the IPRC survey.
4. Support alcohol server training through the Excise division for all establishments who serve alcohol.
5. Educate the community population regarding the financial and legal responsibilities and consequences associated with substance use and abuse.
6. Work with and support law enforcement and the judicial system in its effort to reduce ATOD use.

**PS#1 Objectives End of Year 1 Update:**

**PS#1 Objectives End of Year 2 Update:**

**PS#1 Objectives Final Update (end of Year 3):1**

**A. Problem Statement #2:** Alcohol and other drug related offenses in Newton County continue to be an issue among the adult population.

**B. PS# 2 Supportive Data:**

1. Adult arrests; 47 OWI; 6 Public Intoxication
2. Adult drug arrests: 104
3. Crisis Center reported 59 clients of which 66% used alcohol and other substance.
4. 7 adult alcohol/drug related deaths.

**PS# 2 Supportive Data End of Year 1 Update:**

**PS# 2 Supportive Data End of Year 2 Update:**

**PS# 2 Supportive Data Final Update (end of Year 3):**

**C. PS# 2 Goals:**

1. Reduce adult arrests for alcohol and drugs.

**PS# 2 End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

**PS# 2 End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

**PS# 2 Goals Final Report (end of Year 3):**

**D. PS# 2 Objectives:**

1. Provide education awareness pieces for the local news media and the Coalition website for the general population regarding the financial and legal responsibilities of and consequences associated with alcohol and substance use and abuse.
2. Support the NC Corrections Alcohol and Substance abuse classes.
3. Provide current resource information for those seeking assistance with addictions.
4. Encourage law enforcement to do Alcohol Compliance Enforcement checks on a yearly basis.
5. Support alcohol servers training through the Excise Division for all establishments who serve alcohol.
6. Support law enforcement DUI checkpoints.

**PS# 2 Objectives End of Year 1 Update:****PS# 2 Objectives End of Year 2 Update:****PS# 2 Objectives Final Update (end of Year 3):**

**A. Problem Statement #3:** Tobacco and other illegal drug use by the youth of Newton County is a problem.

**B. PS#3 Support Data**

1. 12 student suspensions, 3 expelled for drug use; 18 suspensions for tobacco use; 1 expelled for alcohol.
2. 17 juvenile drug arrests, 5 involving prescription drugs; 5 marijuana, 7 other controlled substances.
3. 12 juvenile alcohol arrests

**PS#3 Supportive Data End of Year 1 Update:****PS#3 Supportive Data End of Year 2 Update:****PS#3 Supportive Data Final Update (end of Year 3):****C. PS#3 Goal:**

1. Show a decline in substance abuse usage among the youth in the county.

**PS#3 End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

**PS#3 End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

**PS#3 Goals Final Report (end of Year 3):**

**D. PS#3 Objectives:**

1. Promote and encourage parent and child education programs for early childhood and elementary grades with focus on healthy lifestyles absent ATOD.
2. Support and encourage parent and student participation programs at the Jr/Sr High Schools focusing on healthy lifestyles absent ATOD.
3. Encourage school corporations to participate annually in the IPRC survey
4. Educate the community population regarding the financial and legal responsibilities and consequences associated with substance use and abuse.
5. Encourage and support student leaders who encourage healthy lifestyles absent ATOD.

**PS#3 Objectives End of Year 1 Update:**

**PS#3 Objectives End of Year 2 Update:**

**PS#3 Objectives Final Update (end of Year 3):**

***Please attach the County's Fiscal Report for review!***

**Next Annual Update Due: February 2016**

**Next Comprehensive Community Plan Due: February 2018**

**Date of Community Consultant Review:**

**Disclaimer:**

You agree that the information provided within this Plan is subject to the following Terms and Conditions. These Terms and Conditions may be modified at any time and from time to time; the date of the most recent changes or revisions will be established by the Commission and sent electronically to all Local Coordinating Councils.

**Terms and Conditions:**

The information and data provided is presented as factual and accurate. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding the data submitted within the Plan. Failure to do so could result in a “denied approval” by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

The Local Drug Free Communities Fund must be spent according to the goals identified within the plan. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding funds that are collected, allocated, and disbursed within the county. Failure to do so could result in a “denied approval” by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

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**Newton County**



## LOCAL DRUG FREE COMMUNITIES FUND INFORMATION

(1) Amount deposited into the drug-free communities fund during the most recent, complete calendar year, per the County Auditor:

- The Newton County Auditor's office deposited into the LCC's Drug-Free Community Fund from fees collected last calendar year, 2013
- rolled over from unused funds from the previous year.
- total amount available for programs and administrative costs for the upcoming calendar year.
- approved for administrative costs leaving available for the upcoming year for programming

(2) Funding approval by category, including a brief description of the purpose of the grant funding:

APPLICANT/PROJECT & PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT GRANTED
<b>Prevention/Education</b>		
<i>Example: Sheriff program; 10,000 Bracelets for Red Ribbon Week</i>	800.00	\$530.00
<b>TOTAL(S)</b>		
<b>Treatment/Intervention</b>	<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>AMOUNT GRANTED</b>

TOTAL(S)		
	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT GRANTED
TOTAL(S)		

CATEGORY	Percentage of Dollars Approved	Dollars Approved	Percentage of Dollars Awarded	Dollars Awarded
TOTAL(S)				

(3) Describe the grant process and requirements for the grantees:

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